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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF GARCIA-BLANCO et al Atty. Ref.: 1579-321 Serial No.: 09/465,802 Group Art Unit: Hunt, Filed: December 17, 1999 Examiner: For: ALTERNATIVE SPLICING OF FIBROBLAST GROWTH RECEPTOR 2 MRNA IN PROSTATE CANCER RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice to Comply dated

December 12, 2000, in the above matter, the period for

response having been extended up to February 12, 2001, by

submission of the required petition and fee herewith.

Kindly amend this application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Washington, DC 20231

Before the Figures, insert the Sequence Listing submitted herewith.

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REMARKS

Favorable consideration of this application and entry of the foregoing amendments are respectfully requested.

The specification has been amended to include the Sequence Listing submitted herewith on separate sheets. Entry of the Sequence Listing does not raise the issue of new matter as the sequence information contained therein is presented in the application as originally filed. The computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing submitted herewith is the same as the attached paper copy of that Listing.

An early and favorable Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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